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INTRODUCTION

The pathways of life are filled with hurdles, temptations, sicknesses, sleeplessness, wanderings etc. Through all these conditions and situations, we become extremely anxious and worry and do not know how to face it and overcome it. The situation sometimes becomes serious enough and friends may forsake you and there is no one you know with influence who can restore or deliver you. Jesus was constantly confronted by the Jewish elites and questioned by them. He was in the wilderness for 40 days and 40 nights tempted of the devil, but He was the overcomer. In fact, His situation was such that it could not be matched by anyone (Jn 1: 10-11 ***“He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not.”*** Phil 2: 7-8 ***“But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross”***). Jesus was all alone through crucifixion and death. But death could not hold Him, and the grave could not overcome Him. He was victorious and has never been defeated. God made a way for Jesus over death, sin and Satan. Let us take a look at Scripture to see how God made a way for His children in different and difficult situations. May these be an encouragement as we trust God for His deliverances.

ISRAEL THROUGH THE RED SEA

Ex 13: 17, 18 ***“And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt: But God led the people about, through the way of the wilderness of the Red sea: and the children of Israel went up harnessed out of the land of Egypt.”***

The children of Israel had been slaves in Egypt under the Pharaohs for 400 years. This of course is what the Lord told Abram (Abraham) about his descendants in **Gen 15: 13, 14** ***“And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.”*** They were slaves under the Egyptians who were hard taskmasters. Oh, how they longed for deliverance! They felt that the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob had surely abandoned them – until Moses appeared on the scene having the word of God. The 10 plagues devastated Egypt and finally Pharaoh let them go. Once they got their freedom, God began to guide them to the promised land. They expected it to be a pleasant journey to the promised land – but lo and behold, there was a wilderness on the way. Now a wilderness of the type in Sinai was a barren desert land riddled with sand, rocks, no

vegetation, or trees, perhaps with snakes and scorpions. However, it was God the Creator of the Heavens and the Earth that was leading them! The reason God took them through the wilderness was to avoid a war with the Philistines – since they had never seen war – how gracious the Lord was with them! God also went before them as a pillar of cloud by day to provide shade from the hot sun and as a pillar of fire by night so that they had light and heat by night. **Ex 13: 21 “And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night: He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people.”**

However, after some thought, Pharaoh decided to go after the children of Israel. He gathered his army together and pursued after them.

Ex 14: 9, 10 “But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pihahiroth, before Baalzephon. And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto the LORD.”

Now the children of Israel have a seemingly unsurmountable problem. After the short wilderness experience with God, they are now confronted by the waters of the Red Sea. The Red Sea is in front of them and behind

following them is the army of Pharaoh. The army of Pharaoh is on chariots and horse backs. They have been overtaken by them. Does this not sound familiar in our lives, at times – where Satan corners us in such a way that there is no way that we can find to escape? When we face a situation of this nature, we need to remember the words Paul the Apostle spoke in **1 Cor 10: 13 “There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.”** This verse should provide encouragement to us in all situations because God knows exactly what we are going through, the anxiety, the sadness and sorrow, the pain and grief, the loss and disablement. He is so intimately knowledgeable that He will not allow us to be consumed by what is happening to us rather He will limit it to what we can bear and help us to overcome the situation. Here is what the children of Israel did. They cried out to God for deliverance.

Ex 14: 19, 20 “And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them: And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night.”

From the above scripture notice how God

protects His children in this dire situation. Now both the pillars went behind the children of Israel and provided a buffer between them and Pharaoh's army. However, it provided light and heat to them and darkness to the army of Pharaoh. In this way, God kept them both apart all night long! God knows how to protect His children and provide deliverance to them.

Let us now observe how the Lord delivers them from the Red Sea, because they had to cross it!

Ex 14: 21, 22 ***“And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.”***

Sometimes we face multiple problems. As soon as one is over, the next one starts. We seem to be constantly in and out of trials and tribulations. The Apostle Paul has the answer as in **I Thess 3: 3** *“That no man should be moved by these **afflictions**: for yourselves know that **we are appointed** thereunto.”* The apostle Paul faced many trials throughout the life of his ministry and so he can comfort those who pass through trials. The Lord Jesus would sometimes speak to him in a vision or dream and sometimes he seemed to be going it alone, but the Lord was always with him. Share your experiences of trials and victories with others so that they are encouraged to know that the Lord cares for them. Here is an encouraging scripture of promise taken **from Ps 34: 19**

“Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.”

Imagine the grief that could have been caused by either of the two evils. The Red Sea in front of them and Pharaoh's army behind them! While the Lord kept them away from the enemy by the pillar of cloud and fire all night, the Lord was also at work by causing a 'strong east wind' over the Red Sea in such a way that the sea parted and caused a path of dry land from one shore to the other. Notice also that the path was dry. The water rose on either side like two walls except that the wall was made up of the waters of the Red Sea!! This path was used by the children of Israel to pass to the other side of the Red Sea. The Lord caused a miracle that no one could have imagined. If you are in a similar situation, may the Lord grant you a miraculous escape that you could not have imagined. Now let us see how the Lord handles the enemy.

Ex 14: 23-25 ***“And the Egyptians pursued and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the LORD looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians, And took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.”***

Only the Lord can fight our battles on multiple fronts, and we need to recognize that we are not equipped to handle even one battle on our own strength. He is now in charge of

fighting for Israel. The Egyptians were now pursuing them through the same path that the Lord had created for Israel through the Red Sea. The Lord watched what was happening, and He harasses the Egyptians by disabling their chariots causing them difficulties in following after Israel. They realized that they could not fight the God of Israel and they were ready to flee from where they were. There is none that can fight the Lord and expect to win. Here is what the apostle Paul says, because he had fought many battles along the way as in **Rom 8: 31** ***“What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?”*** That is the confidence and faith to have by knowing that **IF** God is on our side, then and only then no one can be against us.

Ex 14: 26-27 ***“And the LORD said unto Moses, ‘Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen’. And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.”***

The Egyptians are still pursuing the children of Israel. The Lord asks Moses to stretch out his hands over the Red Sea after all the children of Israel had crossed over to the other side. Moses obeys immediately. The sea overcomes the Egyptians as the opened path is closed by it. Pharaoh's army was drowned by the waters. What a victory when God fights our battles. He has not lost a single battle since creation. Let us remember that and give praise,

honor, and glory to Him always. God is still at work. He does not stop a work that He started till it is finished.

ISRAEL THROUGH THE RIVER JORDON

After the death of Moses, Joshua took over the leadership of the children of Israel. They have now arrived to the location of the promised land, but they had to overcome enemies and many obstacles. It took them 40 years to reach the banks of the river Jordan. Unless they cross over this river, they were never going to claim the land that God had promised.

Josh 1: 2 ***“Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel.”***

The children of Israel were led by Joshua after the days of Moses, and they came to a point where they had to cross the River Jordan to get to Jericho. God does everything in an orderly way. Joshua asks them to follow the ark which would be borne by the priests. He asked the people to sanctify themselves for *“tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you.”* The priests carrying the ark walked to the edge of the river and as soon as their feet touched it, the waters rose and created a path for the children of Israel to pass on. The priests stood in the middle of the river, till all the people had passed over. The priests carrying the ark then came ashore following the last of the people and soon after their feet touched the dry shore, the waters of the river Jordan came back and flowed normally. Thus, the Lord magnified Joshua in the eyes of the people, so that they would know

that Joshua had succeeded Moses as their leader.

There is an English saying that some of you may have used, “he is in deep water” or “he is in hot water”, means that the person is in big trouble. This can surely happen to us many times in a lifetime. You may find yourself in a situation at work or among friends or among relatives from which you are unable to recover on your own. Sometimes you think you can handle it and then find out that you are unable to do so. Know this, that the Lord will surely find a way to help you overcome the situation, because as He Himself did and it is declared in **Ps 78: 16 “He brought streams also out of the rock and caused waters to run down like rivers.”** During the trek through the wilderness when the children of Israel needed water, the Lord brought water out of the rock for them. The more you read the word of God the more your faith in Him will be deepened.

JONAH IN THE WATERS

Jonah received a command from the Lord to go to Nineveh. Instead, he took a ship from Joppa to go to Tarshish. Nineveh was in the north, but Tarshish (Spain) was in the west over the Mediterranean Sea. As a result of his disobedience to God, he found himself in 'deep water' literally. The ship he was travelling in was being tossed up and down by a storm, and he ended up in the belly of a fish which was prepared by the Lord. He had no way of extricating himself from there, struggle as he might. He realized his predicament and began to pray to the Lord who was the only one who knew where he was. See the marvelous way the

Lord caused his deliverance. The Bible says that God spoke to the fish, and the fish vomited him on to dry land. Even a dumb fish obeyed God!! You may be in a similar predicament that only God knows and you are unable to share your sorrow or difficulty with anyone. Be encouraged God knows and He can deliver you like no one else can. He will even cause a miraculous way for your deliverance. **Rom 10: 17 “So then faith cometh by hearing, hearing by the word of God.”**

JESUS' DISCIPLES IN THE MIDST OF A STORM

Jesus, during His ministry asked His disciples to go to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. So, all of them got into a boat and left the shore. Jesus was perhaps very tired and as a result slept in the boat. A storm arose and the boat was getting filled with water. They came and woke up Jesus and said to Him, “Master, Master, we perish”. That was certainly a frantic call to the Lord. The Lord awoke and rebuked the wind, and it obeyed and the storm calmed immediately. The disciples knew who to call on. They have seen Jesus solve many problems that the people faced and believed that He has the answer.

CONCLUSION

Here is a promise from Isaiah that I hope will help you know how much God cares for His children found in **Is 43: 2, 3a “When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither**

shall the flame kindle upon thee. For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour.”

In our Christian life, we often pass through rough and barren terrain. Maybe you are bound by Satanic influences of addiction of some sort. If you are, you are under bondage to sin and Satan. Jesus is the only way out to help you overcome whatever is preventing you from entering into the kingdom of heaven, when a sheep is lost, because it strayed from the fold, it cries out to the shepherd for deliverance. **Psalm 23** is a beautiful Psalm of comfort. Jesus talks about the sheep that is lost, but the Shepherd goes after the lost one and recovers it. So will He come and surely deliver you no matter what the problem.

There were two thieves crucified on either side of Jesus. Both had lost their way to heaven as they had lived in sin. One of them did not stop reviling against Jesus. He did not desire to be delivered from his way of life even though he knew that he was dying. The other thief on the other hand wanted deliverance from his evil and sinful way. He realized that Jesus was the only way to heaven. He made a simple prayer, “Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.” Jesus’ response must have been

such a relief to him as he heard Jesus say, “This day you will be with Me in paradise.” Everybody needs Jesus to enter into heaven as Jesus Himself said in **Jn 14: 7** “***I am the way the truth and the life. No man cometh unto the Father but by Me.***” If you have never put your trust in Jesus, maybe this is your time to call on Jesus and repent of your sins and live for Him. May the Holy Spirit touch your heart to come to Jesus in simple child-like faith. Jesus is waiting for your call. Below is a hymn by Pricilla J Owens

*1. Will your anchor hold in the storms of life,
when the clouds unfold their wings of strife?
When the strong tides lift, and the cables strain,
will your anchor drift, or firm remain?*

Refrain:

*We have an anchor that keeps the soul
steadfast and sure while the billows roll;
fastened to the Rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!*

*2. Will your anchor hold in the straits of fear,
when the breakers roar and the reef is near?
While the surges rage, and the wild winds blow,
shall the angry waves then your bark o'erflow?
[Refrain]*

- Dr. Sam Russell

Our Vision & Mission

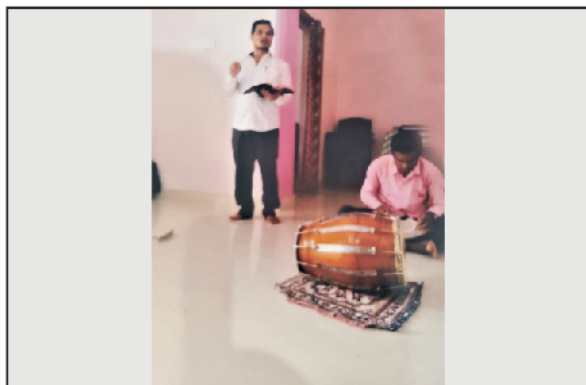
Our vision is to translate the Bible into all Indian languages that have not been translated yet, making the Word of God available to every community in their mother tongue.

Our mission is to translate, print, and teach the Word of God in all Indian languages that do not have Bible yet. We are committed to sending Bible Translators missionaries across India, language by language, and establishing dedicated “Bible Translator Teams” for each language to ensure accurate and meaningful translation.

IBT PROGRAMMES



IBT Missionary Bro. Lemen Chinchani is praying for a sick person at the Odisha, Kondapuri mission field.



Sora translator Bro. Gada Mandal sharing the Word of God at a prayer meeting in a believer's house at Paralakhemundi, Odisha.



On 25.3.2025, Mr. Samuel Gnanadas, IBT Field Director, met the Vedar speaking people in Sri Lanka.



On 31.3.2025, Mr. Rajakumar is sharing the Word of God at the youth meeting held at Shalom Church, Kadambathur, Chennai.



The skit performed at the youth meeting held at Shalom Church, Kadambathur, Chennai, on 31.3.2025.



On 27.4.2025, Mr. Varamani Raj, the Secretary of IBT, is explaining IBT's ministry at the missionaries' meeting held at St. George Church, Madurai.

IBT PROGRAMMES



Mr. Easter Raj is sharing the word of God at the Lenten meetings held at CSI Church, Mopperipalayam, Coimbatore on April 4, 5, and 6, 2025.



Mr. M. John William is explaining IBT's ministry at the Lenten meetings held at CSI Church, Mopperipalayam, Coimbatore.



On 27.4.2025, Rt. Rev. Edwin Jayakumar, former Bishop of TELC, is sharing the Word of God at the CSI Church, Podanur, Coimbatore.



On 1.5.2025, Mr. Prabhu, a representative of IBT, is explaining Chennai IBT's ministry at the family meeting held at the Salvation Army Social Service Centre, Chennai.



At the family meeting on 1.5.2025, Pr. Raju is sharing the Word of God.



Mr. Jabez Selwyn, the President of IBT, presented a gift to Pr. Raju, who delivered the message at the family gathering on 1.5.2025.

EDITORIAL

Dearly beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,
We extend our heartfelt greetings to you on
behalf of the Saththiya Vaarthai magazine!

“And, being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, He said, you have heard from Me.” (Acts 1:4)

Before Jesus Christ ascended from this world, He instructed His disciples not to leave Jerusalem but to wait for the fulfillment of the Father's promise. On the 50th day, which is the Day of Pentecost, the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit. The prophecy declared by Joel, “In the last days, I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh,” was fulfilled. Before the Lord grants any blessing, whether it is a spiritual or earthly blessing, we must wait patiently until the appointed time of the Lord to receive it.

In today's fast-paced world, people do not like to wait for anything. They want to receive everything instantly, whether it is something good or any accomplishment. Many expect that the moment they come into the Lord's presence, everything should happen immediately. When things are delayed, their faith and devotion decline. But if any blessing is received immediately, it will not hold much value. Solomon became king of Israel easily without any struggle. Forgetting the greatness

the Lord gave him, he easily fell into sin, did things that displeased the Lord, and lost the blessing of his lineage. During his son's reign, the kingdom was divided into two.

On the other hand, David, who travelled a long journey with the Lord from being a shepherd to ascending the throne, faced many struggles and challenges. Even after being anointed as king by Samuel, David did not immediately sit on the throne. Only after many years did the Lord establish him as king over all of Israel. Similarly, the promises given to us may not be fulfilled immediately. It may take a few weeks, months, or even years.

“Wait on the Lord, and keep His way, and He shall exalt you to inherit the land...” (Psalm 37:34).

Let us dedicate ourselves to waiting on the Lord and receiving His blessings.

On April 4th and 5th, 2025, in Lenten days meeting and 6th Morning service at CSI Church, Mopperipalayam, Coimbatore, Mr. Easter Raj delivered the Word of God, and Brother M. John William explained the IBT's ministry. On April 5th and 6th at CSI Church, Sirumugai, Coimbatore, Mr. S. Rajasekar delivered the Word of God, and Brothers Robert and Ezra Calab explained IBT's ministry. On April 15th, at TELC Church, N.G.G.O, Coimbatore, Mr. S. Timothy explained the IBT ministry and

delivered the Word of God. On April 27th, at CSI Union Church, Podanur, Coimbatore, the former TELC Bishop Rt. Rev. Edwin Jayakumar delivered the Word of God, and Mr. M. John William explained about the IBT's ministry. We express our heartfelt gratitude to the pastors, secretaries, treasurers, and all church members who welcomed the IBT ministry, provided offerings, and extended their love and support.

On May 1st, 2025, in the evening, the IBT family meeting was successfully held at the Salvation Army Campus in Chennai. Many participants from Chennai, as well as IBT representatives from, Sivakasi, Erode, Coimbatore, Chennai, a missionary from Odisha and Sourashtra translator from Trichy attended in this meeting. Rev. Raju of St. Thomas Evangelical Church, Urapakkam, delivered the Word of God. The meeting featured special songs, special programs, an

explanation of the Bible translation ministry from its early stages to the present, and testimonies from IBT translator and missionary. It was a blessed event that provided spiritual nourishment and a burden for ministry to all who attended.

Please continue to pray that the IBT ministry will expand, that promotional meetings will be conducted in new and unknown areas, that the ministry will be known to many, and that dedicated young people will join this ministry to glorify the name of the Lord.

We pray that the Lord will protect you and your family from all harm and bless you abundantly.

Shalom!

In the Lord's service,
Your brother,
K. Jaisingh

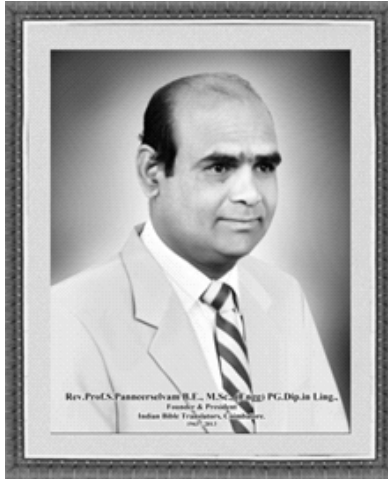
IBT RELEASED LITERARY BOOKS IN ENGLISH

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12th Memorial Day of IBT Founder Rev. Prof. S. Panneer Selvam - 02.06.2025



"Lord, you have dealt well with your servant according to your word."

In 1978, following the vision given by the Lord to Rev. Prof. S. Panneer Selvam, the founder of IBT Ministries, he established the organization under the name "Indian Bible Translators." Through this ministry, The Bible in 2 languages, The New Testament in 15 languages, Psalms and Proverbs in 8 languages, and 69 Gospel books in 37 languages have been published and distributed. These publications have reached thousands, helping them live in the Lord and guiding those unaware to understand and accept Him. Moreover, many have benefited from reading the several literary books written by him, gaining a deeper understanding of the truth and living for the Lord. The "Saththiya Vaarthai" magazine, currently published in 4 languages, continues to be a significant source of spiritual support. Numerous individuals have also been blessed through missionary and social service activities initiated by the ministry. This ministry, started by Rev. Prof. S. Panneerselvam, has been sustained by the prayers, offerings, and voluntary service of many good-hearted individuals who labor for the glory of God's name. This is a testimony to the dedication, hard work, and unparalleled service of the founder, who carried out every task with wisdom and discernment, solely for the glory of God's name.

FIELD NEWS

Missionary: Brother. Israel Edla

Mission Station: Santhoshpur (Odisha)

Glory to God!

By the grace of the Lord, last month, I travelled to villages of people who speak Deshia and Mirgan languages for missionary work. I visited villages like Nanganal, Mali Attigan, Kondapuri, Bodomasigan, and Santhoshpur, where I preached the gospel and prayed for the people. When the Field Director visited here, he organized a staff meeting. In the meeting, he emphasized that the primary tasks

should be conducting literacy work among the church members and teaching them to read the Bible in Deshia and Mirgan languages. He mentioned that I must learn these languages well within three months and deliver sermons in these languages. He also stated that the Odia Bible should not be used. We carried out missionary work in the churches at Santhoshpur and Nanganal.

Sunday services, Fasting prayers, and Ash Wednesday services were conducted. We prayed for the IBT projects, especially for the

translation work in Deshia, Mirgan, and Kalahandi languages for the upcoming Logos camp, and for the smooth functioning of the Bapanpalli children's home. Cottage prayer meetings were held in the homes of Mr. Samson Kamal of Kondapuri and Mr. Keshab Mirgan, the IBT co-ordinator. We prayed for the Word of God to work in their lives and for their family issues. In Bodomasigan, a meeting was held for missionaries and translators, and some decisions were made. Please pray for my missionary work and for my family.

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Promotional Staff: Brother. T.K. Gopalan
Mission Station: Kottayam (Kerala)

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ! By the grace of the Lord, last month, I visited various places, including Kottayam, Pallam, Valatham, Palkkil, Amara, Vakkatham, Pampadi, Panimuttam, Karamuvile, Mangaram, Kaithamattam, Vadavithur, Puthuppally, and Nedumavi. I met with IBT supporters, collected offerings, and prayed for their problems. Please pray for my promotion work and for complete healing of my wife, who is under treatment.

Missionary: Brother. Lemon Chinchani
Mission Station: Kondapuri (Odisha)

Greetings in the blessed name of Jesus Christ!

For missionary work, I visited villages like Mali Attigan, Bodomasikan, Kumbar Sahi, Harijan Sahi, Kosagamuda, Potarguda Sahi, Kodinga, and Kondapuri, where I preached the gospel and prayed. Through prayer, the Lord granted good health to many who were suffering from various afflictions. Glory be to Him! Brothers Patla, Porsura, Hariharan, and sisters Kumari, Tamanti, and Bobani listened to the Good News with great eagerness.

Sunday worship, children's Sunday school, and Friday fasting prayer meetings are being held regularly. Currently, we are visiting the homes of believers to teach those who cannot read or write how to read and understand Mirgan and Deshia Bible in their languages.

Cottage prayer meetings were conducted at the mission stations of Kondapuri and Kodinga, where we shared the Word of God and prayed for the needs of families.

Please continue to pray for my missionary work and for my family.

WORLD NEWS

- In response to the brutal attack by terrorists operating from Pakistan in Pahalgam, Kashmir, on April 22, the Indian Armed Forces conducted strikes on Terrorist camps on May 7, 2025.
- Pope Francis, the head of the Roman Catholic Church, passed away on April 21 at the age of 88 due to health issues.
- Friedrich Merz was elected as the new Prime Minister of Germany on May 6, 2025.

IBT PRESENTS ITS '200' PROJECT. A BOLD STEP FOR GOD A NEW LAND MARK IN INDIA'S EVANGELISM

What is all about?

India is a country with a world of languages, nesting in it as many as 1652 languages, a mini-Babel indeed! Leaving out, if you like those minor languages with low population figures and also accounting for all statistical errors, one would have atleast 200 languages in India with population more than 5000 speakers in each language, urgently and desperately needing the Bible translation. "200" project exactly meets that need by translating the Bible in all these 200 Bible - less Indian languages.

Why this Project?

The '200' is the ANSWER to the CRY of the heathen, 'If your God is a Great God, then why can't He speak to us in our language'. Yes! If Jesus were to enter into a tribal home today and speak to them, what language would He choose to speak to the tribals? English? Nay! Hindi? No! Tamil? Never! Jesus would certainly converse with the tribals only through the heart's language viz. mother tongue of the tribe. Let us follow Jesus' method of evangelism by preaching, translating and teaching the word of God to every Indian in his own mother-tongue.

How to achieve?

Not so easy! A long way to go Indeed! We select a team of two Bible Translators for each language and train them in Bible Translation theory and linguistics and send them to the field

for Bible Translation. Likewise we need to send 200 such Bible Translators Teams.

Who is behind this project?

The Indian Bible Translators (IBT) are behind this project with God in Front. This IBT is an Indigenous Inter denominational Ministry dedicated to the cause of translating and teaching God's word in every Bible-less language.

What can you do?

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2. Promotional staff at Trichy and Chennai require two two-wheelers. The present old two-wheelers are frequently breaking down and maintenance cost is high. We need 2,20,000/- to purchase the new two-wheelers. Kindly pray to get supporters to meet this need.

- Treasurer
Indian Bible Translators (IBT)

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